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Progress Continues with Debris Cleanup

Citizens Reminded Not to Place Private Property Debris in Right-of-Way

Suttons Bay Township – With cleanup efforts continuing in hard-hit Leelanau County, the Office of Emergency Management/9-1-1 is reminding citizens not to place fallen tree debris on road shoulders for pickup.

Fallen tree debris on private property is the responsibility of homeowners and not the Leelanau County Road Commission. Citizens should not expect debris deliberately placed on road shoulders to be picked-up by county crews.

"If you are cleaning up fallen trees, limbs and brush on your property, please take it to our drop-off location," said Matt Ansorge, Leelanau County Emergency Management Coordinator. "We appreciate the hard work and long hours everyone has been putting in to clean up our county. Be mindful and exercise caution as our road commission crews continue to clear the right-ofway of our roads."

To accommodate citizens cleaning up their property, debris can be dropped off at the following location:

- Myles Kimmerly Park, 1397 W. Burdickville Road, Maple City
 - o Open: 9 a.m. to 7 p.m. Monday through Saturday

Use of this site is **FREE** for Leelanau County citizens. Only organic debris like trees, limbs and brush—will be accepted.

Commercial trucks, contractors and dump truck operators can drop off their debris at the following location:

- Kasson Sand and Gravel, 10282 S. Pierce Road, Maple City
 - o Open: 7:30 a.m. to 5 p.m. Monday through Friday.

Kasson Sand and Gravel has agreed to offer large discounted rates for disposal into their pits at \$6 per cubic yard.

For more information about debris drop-off locations, go to http://www.leelanau.cc/.

About the Disaster

Gov. Rick Snyder declared a "state of disaster" on Aug. 10 for Grand Traverse County after severe thunderstorms caused widespread and severe damage on Aug. 2. Upon direction of the governor, the MSP/EMHSD amended the declaration to include Leelanau County on Aug. 14.

By declaring a "state of disaster," the state of Michigan has made available all state resources in cooperation with local response and recovery efforts in the disaster area.

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